IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA : CRIMINAL NO. 06-

v. : DATE FILED:

NEREIDA NUNEZ : VIOLATION:

18 U.S.C. § 641

: (Theft of government property - 1 Count)

Consent to Proceed Before U.S. Magistrate Judge

INFORMATION

COUNT ONE

THE UNITED STATES ATTORNEY CHARGES THAT:

- 1. At all times relevant to this Information, defendant NEREIDA NUNEZ lived in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.
- 2. Until approximately January 2000, defendant NEREIDA NUNEZ lived with her mother and brother, who were eligible to receive and did receive payments from the Social Security Administration under its Supplemental Social Security program. Defendant NUNEZ was a co-payee for each her mother and brother and was authorized to cash checks on their behalf as long as they were entitled to receive payments under the Supplemental Social Security program.
- 3. In or about January 2000, defendant NEREIDA NUNEZ's mother and brother moved out of defendant's home and defendant NUNEZ knew that her mother and brother were no longer eligible to receive the Supplemental Social Security payments. Nonetheless, since approximately January 2000, defendant NUNEZ continued to cash the benefit checks that

came for her mother and brother, and converted the funds to her own use.

4. On or about April 1, 2003, in Philadelphia, in the Eastern District of

Pennsylvania, defendant

NEREIDA NUNEZ

embezzled, stole, purloined, and knowingly converted to her own use a thing of value of the

United States in the amount of \$579.40, that is, a check written on the account of the United

States Government for the benefit of defendant's mother, in the amount of \$579.40, which check

had come into the possession and under the care of defendant by virtue of her relationship with

her mother.

In violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 641.

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